

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Elastic bandage ~~(1, 16)~~ with electrodes ~~(9, 10, 11, 12; 19, 20, 21, 22)~~ spaced apart from one another for connection to an electric stimulation device (4), **characterized in that** the elastic region of the bandage ~~(1, 16)~~ bearing the electrodes ~~(9, 10, 11, 12; 19, 20, 21, 22)~~ is covered on its outside by a pocket ~~(13, 23)~~ which is far less elastic than the elastic region and which contains a resilient cushion ~~(14, 24)~~ as support for the electrodes ~~(9, 10, 11, 12; 19, 20, 21, 22)~~ attached to the inside of the bandage ~~(1, 16)~~.
2. (Currently Amended) Bandage according to claim 1, **characterized in that** the stimulation device ~~(4)~~ is attached to the electrodes ~~(9, 10, 11, 12; 19, 20, 21, 22)~~ by means of lead wires ~~(5, 6, 7, 8; 17, 18, 19, 20)~~, which are worked into the material of the bandage ~~(1, 16)~~ by designing a plurality of successive bending points.
3. (Currently Amended) Bandage according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, **characterized in that** the stimulation device ~~(4)~~ is fastened to the bandage ~~(1, 16)~~ in a detachable manner.
4. (Currently Amended) Bandage according to ~~any one of claims 1 through 4~~ claim 1, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion ~~(24)~~ is filled with resilient foam.
5. (Currently Amended) Bandage according to ~~any one of claims 1 through 4~~ claim 1, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion consists of an inflatable tube ~~(14)~~.

6. (New) Bandage according to claim 2, **characterized in that** the stimulation device is fastened to the bandage in a detachable manner.
7. (New) Bandage according to claim 2, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion is filled with resilient foam.
8. (New) Bandage according to claim 3, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion is filled with resilient foam.
9. (New) Bandage according to claim 2, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion consists of an inflatable tube.
10. (New) Bandage according to claim 3, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion consists of an inflatable tube.
11. (New) Bandage according to claim 4, **characterized in that** the resilient cushion consists of an inflatable tube.